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Applicant(s): Seiya OHTA

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For: OPTICAL EQUIPMENT AND ITS CONTROL METHOD, AND COMPUTER-  
READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action (Paper No. 14) dated February 24, 2004, kindly  
consider the following remarks.

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17 of this paper.